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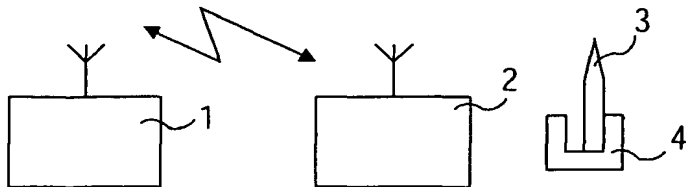
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(57) Abstract: The invention relates to a method of operating a network of a plurality of communication apparatuses (1, 2, 5 to 8) and particularly to a method of operating an ad hoc network between Bluetooth apparatuses. A token (3, 9 to 12, 15), in which the apparatus' address of the associated apparatus is stored, is assigned to a plurality of communication apparatuses (1, 2, 5 to 8).

At least one communication apparatus is used as a token read apparatus (4, 13 and 14) so as to read the apparatus address of a first communication apparatus (1), stored in the token (3, 9 to 12, 15). The token read apparatus (4, 13 and 14) builds up a connection with the first communication apparatus (1) by means of the apparatus address, and/or the apparatus address is transmitted by the token read apparatus (4, 13 and 14) to at least a second communication apparatus (2). The second communication apparatus (2) can then build up a connection with the first communication apparatus (1).

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